

REMARKS

Claims 1-5 are pending.

Claims 6-10 have been canceled.

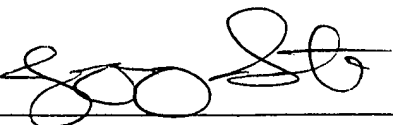
In the Office Action, claims 1-3 were rejected under 35 USC §112, first and second paragraphs as not being enabling and for indefiniteness. In response to this rejection, claim 1 has been amended in accordance with the Examiner's instructions. Specifically, the iodinated media in the inlet section has been listed as being within the secondary filter, a separator is now cited as being between the inlet section and the multi-stage purifying apparatus, and a mesh separator has been added between each section of the multi-stage purifying apparatus. Thus, it is believed that this rejection has been overcome.

On page 4 of the Office Action, it was indicated that claims 1-3 would be allowable if re-written to overcome the 35 USC §112 rejections. Applicant believes that claim 1, as currently amended, now overcomes these rejections and is in condition for allowance. Claims 2 and 3 depend from claim 1, are considered allowable for at least the same reasons.

On page 5 of the Office Action, it is stated that upon allowance of generic claim 1, currently withdrawn species claims 4 and 5 will be considered. As claim 1 is now in condition for allowance, Applicant respectfully request that claims 4 and 5 be reinstated for consideration. Claims 4 and 5 depend from claim 1 and both are considered to be allowable for at least the same reasons.

All claims are believed to be in condition for allowance, and a Notice to that effect is respectfully requested. If any questions remain, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number listed below.

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